GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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VIOLATION OF GUIDELINES BY PRIVATE SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some private schools in Delhi which were allotted land by Government agencies are not fulfilling the condition of providing reservation for children belonging to economically weaker sections;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of such schools;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether any direction has been given by the High Court of Delhi in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken to implement the directions of High Court in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A.FATMI)

(a) to (c): The list of private schools in Delhi violating the conditions for providing reservation for children belonging to economically weaker section during the academic year 2007-08 is yet to be prepared by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

(d) to (f): Following an interim order of the High Court of Delhi, the Education Department of Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi had issued orders on 25-01-2007 regarding provision of free seats to the extent of not less than twenty per cent of total seats, for students belonging to economically weaker section in unaided recognized private schools imparting education in Delhi, which have been allotted land by the Government Agencies, such as Delhi Development Authority, Land and Development Office and the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, etc. The High Court of Delhi in its interim order dated 30.5.2007 has directed that subject to an undertaking to be furnished to Court, the institutions "shall admit students of the weaker sections of the society as defined in the impugned notification dated 25th January 2007 to the extent of minimum 10% plus 5% less wards of teaching and non-teaching staff employed in the school for the academic session 2008-09". Schools which do not furnish the undertaking are governed in accordance with the notification dated 25.1.2007. The matter is presently subjudice.